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Dr. Albert Wheelon 2430 E Street, N.W. Washington 25, D.C.

Dear Bud:

It was a pleasure to have you visit us in Philadelphia. My associates and I feel considerably reassured in that we seem to be making indeed an impact on the tasks laid on us. Rather heavy emphasis will immediately be placed on documentation.

Your idea of a technical meeting grows to be more attractive the more I think about it. I am sure it would be a very worthwhile investment of time. I think that a high technical content would discourage "auditors". On the other hand, it may be well worthwhile to have the audience exposed to non-technical considerations if these indeed have a significant bearing on the problem. It has been our experience that these meetings take a minimum of six months to arrange. Please let me know how I can be of help.

I am indeed pleased that you have an interest in the American Institute of Aeronautics and Astronautics and its publications. In lieu of proper financial compensation, editors like myself receive complimentary copies of their publications. I have thus arranged for you to receive the AIAA Journal and I know that this has the enthusiastic approval of my colleagues on the editorial board. Any comments you may have on the publication would be welcome. After January 1, there will be two additional engineering-type journals, the Journal of Aircraft and the Journal of Spacecraft and Rockets. You are welcome to complimentary copies of these, but I do not wish to clutter your mail; unless I hear from you differently, you will not receive them.

Should you still wish to become a member of the AIAA, I am enclosing an application form for membership of which, however, you only need to complete the portions checked if you prefer. This form should be sent to Mr. James J. Harford, Executive Secretary, AIAA, 500 Fifth Avenue, New York 36, New York.

With best regards,

Leo Steg

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Enclosure: Application form

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